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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Jurgen OTTERBACH, et al.

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For: TRANSMITTING AND RECEIVING DEVICE FOR A MULTIPOINT-TO-POINT  
NETWORK

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**The specification is changed as follows:**

Page 1, after the title, insert the heading

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Page 2, line 13 (according to the line numbering), insert the heading

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

Page 4, line 11, insert the heading

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**

line 21, insert the heading

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION**